Denmark Viking District Newsletter

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VIKING PRIDE SIGNS

This fall the school district, with financial assistance from the Denmark Booster Club, had "Viking Pride" signs created and distributed throughout the community. The signs are to signify pride in our community, businesses, heritage, staff, students, parents and everyone who contributes in making Denmark a great place to live, work and raise a family.

As winter begins to approach, in late October the Denmark Dance Team will pick up signs along Wall St. and Main St. Anyone who picked up a sign and doesn't want to store it can bring it to school and we will store them for the next time they are distributed. Those that took a sign are welcome to keep them and display them as along as they want.

It's been great to see so many signs up in our district on virtually any road that was traveled. **Viking Pride!**



The students at the Elementary, Middle and High Schools have been working hard to prepare for the upcoming concert season. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy any of the productions:

| November 16 | 7:30 p.m. | MS & HS Jazz Concert |
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| November 30 | 2:15 & 7:00 p.m. | 3rd Grade Concert |
| December 7 | 7:30 p.m. | MS & HS Choral Concer |
| December 10 | 6:15 p.m. | MS Band Concert |
| December 14 | 7:30 p.m. | HS Band Concert |

December 17 2:00 & 6:30 p.m. 1st & 2nd Grade Concert



SCHOOL CALENDAR

NOVEMBER, DECEMBER & JANUARY

November 20 - Early Dismissal –PDT Day

November 25 - No School

November 26 - No School

November 27 - No School

December 18 - Early Dismissal - PDT Day

December 23 - Last Day of School Before Holiday

January 4 - First Day of School After Holiday

January 21 - Early Dismissal - PDT Day

January 22 - No School



DENMARK SCHOOL DISTRICT ART DEPARTMENT

The Denmark School District Art Department will once again be posting all of our art projects on Artsonia.com, which not only lets us share the artwork with friends and relatives far away, but also offers us a wonderful way to earn funds for the Art Room through customized keepsakes. Artsonia will donate 20% of every purchase of art keepsakes to the school arts program. In the past, funds raised have been used to purchase iPads for the middle school and elementary school art rooms.

The ECC and Elementary School publish art to the Denmark Elementary School Gallery. The Middle School and High School each have their own galleries. To date the three schools have published over 550 artworks and over 200 artist statements.

Last year our schools were awarded the 2014-15 Leadership Award. The Elementary School and ECC ranked #2 in Wisconsin (#60 in the nation) for overall participation among all schools. The Middle School ranked #5 in Wisconsin (#111 in the nation) for overall participation among middle schools. The High School ranked #3 in Wisconsin (#68 in the nation) for overall participation among high schools.

Please take a moment to visit Artsonia.com to view all of the different art projects being created throughout the district. If you would like more information please contact: Holly Borchert at the ECC and Denmark Elementary School, Sheila Bialek at Denmark Middle School, or Sarah Fredrikson at Denmark High School.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

December 3 at the ECC

December 10 at the Elementary





Middle School Band Concert

Bill Dennee leads the 7th and 8th grade band at the fall concert on October 26. The 6th, 7th & 8th grade concert packed the Middle School gym with proud families.

Great job Mr. Dennee and students!



So much good news, it's hard to share it all!

Tony Klaubauf - District Administrator

It is hard to know where to start and stop with all the positive things happening within the school community but here is a list, with realizing some activities are probably being missed.

- Don't miss the Mary Poppins Musical during the month of November. Cast and crew have been working a long time on this production
- Denmark High School was honored at the Manufacturing First Expo & Conference on October 21 in Green Bay. The High School, represented by Technology Educator Kory Fredrickson, received the NEWMA Excellence in Manufacturing /K-12 Partnership Award because of work that was done in cooperation with KI Furniture during the last school year.
- The whole community helped celebrate Homecoming with the parade, game, dance, fireworks, pregame performance by the student-led band, Halofix, and everything else that went into the week. Special congratulations to the football team for an exciting win and the band/dance teams put on an outstanding half time performance that people are still buzzing about.
- In helping Sting Cancer, the gymnasium was full of Pink at the October 6 Volleyball Game. The Sting Cancer group, led by Teacher Karen Bloom, does fantastic work with area people battling cancer.
- Max Larsen, 6th Grader, was featured on WBAY –TV in his ongoing effort to be the top fundraiser in the nation for the Arthritis Foundation. Way to go, Max!
- The Denmark Girls Golf Team made it to Sectionals in WIAA Tournament Play.
- In a joint partnership with the Denmark Youth Baseball Softball Organization, the Denmark School District, Aurora Baycare and the Construction Class of Denmark High School, a building for softball/youth baseball is being constructed this fall on the new diamond in back of the Elementary School. (see below)
- Also with support from Aurora Baycare, a scoreboard was erected for the Varsity Soccer Teams.
- Denmark's recent graduating seniors had the highest ACT Scores of any class in recent memory and surpassed
 the state average in every category of the ACT. Wisconsin ranks near the top of all states when it comes to
 ACT scores.
- After one of our largest senior classes graduated last year, it was feared we would have a significant drop in students this school year. In fact, instead of losing about 30 students, we gained 7 students as of mid-September. Families are finding Denmark to be a great place to raise a family
- The Varsity Volleyball Team finished in 2nd place in the new conference.





Construction Class of Denmark High School working on a building for softball/youth baseball located on the new diamond in back of the Elementary School.

DENMARK HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC THEATER PRESENTS





NOVEMBER 6th, 2015 at 7:00 PM NOVEMBER 7th, 2015 at 7:00 PM NOVEMBER 8th, 2015 at 4:00 PM NOVEMBER 12th, 2015 at 7:00 PM NOVEMBER 13th, 2015 at 7:00 PM NOVEMBER 14th, 2015 at 1:00 PM

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SHOW IS FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!!

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT DHS MUSIC THEATER'S WEBSITE:

http://www.denmark.k12.wi.us/hs/dhsmusictheater.cfm

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/denmarkmusical

Tickets are ONLY available to be purchased online at:

http://denmarkmusictheatre.ticketleap.com/

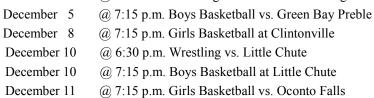
or at Denmark High School (box office will open one hour prior to show)



November and December High School Basketball and Wrestling









December 17 @ 7:15 p.m. Girls Basketball vs. Wrightstown
December 18 @ 7:15 p.m. Boys Basketball at Wrightstown
December 19 @ 9:00 a.m. Wrestling Invitational at Fond du Lac
December 21 @ 7:15 p.m. Girls Basketball at West DePere





"Share!" High School Exchange Program

Thanks to the generosity and kindness of the families in the Denmark Community, Denmark High School is fortunate to have seven international students attending classes this year. Not only does this benefit the international students by giving them an opportunity to improve their English and be part of an American family, but it is also a great opportunity for Denmark students to learn about different cultures and create friendships with other teenagers from around the world.

If you are interested in hosting a student, please contact Fay Lau at fayilau@gmail.com

Photo ID of Exchange Students

Top Row: Anne de Hertog (Netherlands), Karolina Pavlickova (Czech Republic), Manuel Lopez (Spain), Marta Girardin (Italy), Laura Klemp (Germany)

Center: Davide Colombi (Italy)

Bottom Center: Elena Zimmer (Germany)



Denmark Viking Pride T-Shirts/Hoodies

To show your Denmark Viking Pride, you can now order T-Shirts and Hoodies. (Great Christmas Gift) All proceeds go to the Science Olympiad to help offset costs of competitions and materials.

What is Science Olympiad?

Science Olympiad is a co-curricular STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activity dedicated to improving the quality of science education, increasing science interest for all genders and races, while creating a technologically-literate workforce and providing recognition for outstanding achievement by students. These goals are achieved by participating in Science Olympiad tournaments and non-competitive events. Students prepare for events that may include building structures, completing lab experiments, preparation for tests in various subject areas, or any combination of the above. Students do not try out for the team; if they join they compete!

T-Shirts \$10.00 each, Hoodies \$25.00 each Deep purple shirt, gold print letters Youth M, L, Adult S, M, L, XL, XXL Pre-order only / Payment must accompany order Cash, Check (payable Denmark School District)

Turn order into: Mr. Willow, Denmark High School, Room 248 Or Mail to: Mr. Willow, Science Dept., 450 N. Wall St., Denmark WI 54208 All proceeds benefit Denmark High School Science Olympiad Teams

Science Olympiad Advisor—Mr. Willow (willown@denmark.k12.wi.us)





Dick Donovan

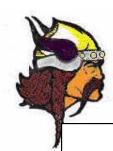
Denmark School Board members Paula Larsen and Joe Duckett presented Dick Donovan, longtime Director of Building and Grounds for the School District of Denmark, a plaque of appreciation at the first home football game of the season. Dick retired in 2014. Those on hand for the program included members of Dick's family who were introduced by Board member, Nancy VanElzen and former District Administrator, Dave Ewald.



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Kory Fredrikson who represented the Denmark High School for a Manufacturing Partnership Award from the Northeast Wisconsin Manufacturing Alliance for his students' work with KI. Congratulations also to Principal Oran Nehls who received honorable mention for his work in promoting manufacturing with students.

Last school year, High School students were asked to develop a different method to install casters on chairs. Two concepts were formed. KI is working with the students again this year on a continuation of the project. They are exploring ways to reduce the cost of their proposed machine. Students hope to have the machine fully constructed at Denmark High School during the 2015-16 school year.



Educational Options

As required by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, school districts are required to publish a description of educational options available to children residing in the district, including public schools, private schools participating in a parental choice program, charter schools, virtual schools, full-time open enrollment, Youth Options Program, course Options, and options available for home-based private educational program students. The notice must also include the most recent performance category assigned to each school within the school district boundaries and the district accountability report on the district's internet site. (However, there is no school accountability report to publish from the 2014-15 school year, as prohibited by state law this year.)

Denmark Public School District

- Denmark Early Childhood Center Pre K 5K
- Denmark Elementary School 1st Grade 5th Grade
- Denmark Middle School 6th Grade 8th Grade
- Denmark High School 9th Grade 12th Grade
- Denmark Community School Charter School Grades 7-12
 - * The Demark Elementary, Middle and High School had a rating of "meets expectations" as reported in 2013-14 school accountability rating. The Demark ECC and Demark Community School had an alternate rating of "satisfactory progress."
- Virtual School Options http://sms.dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/sms/pdf/cs_2015_VirtualSchs.pdf
- Private school parental choice options- https://sms.dpi.wi.gov/choice programs
- Open Enrollment Spaces for 2014-15 http://oe.dpi.wi.gov/oeseats2014
 - * Denmark Open Enrollment Policy http://www.denmark.k12.wi.us/cms_files/resources/jfab.pdf
- Home –Based Education Options including Youth Options and Course Options
 - * http://www.denmark.k12.wi.us/cms_files/resources/jfbe.pdf
 - * http://www.denmark.k12.wi.us/cms_files/resources/ihbga.pdf
 - * http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/118/53

Tax Information

The Denmark School Board approved a tax rate of \$9.63 per \$1000 of property wealth at the school board meeting on October 19, 2015. The projection at the Annual Meeting in July was the mil rate would be close to \$10 per \$1000. This decrease results in \$37 less in taxes per \$100,000 of property wealth. The decrease was due in large part to an overall increase in the district-wide property value. Each municipality tax rate will vary depending on the growth in value or decrease in value of that particular municipality.

The Denmark School Board appreciates the support of the community in keeping our schools strong and a major attraction for families looking to live in Northeastern Wisconsin.

2016 SUMMER SCHOOL

June 8-28

August 1-19

More information will follow in upcoming newsletters.



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Attention: Non-Residents of the School District of Denmark

This newsletter is a service provided to all residents of the School District of Denmark. The most effective and affordable process to circulate this newsletter throughout our community is to use a saturation mailing which occasionally picks up a few streets in the postal route areas of non-residents. Avoiding a few non-residents from receiving this newsletter is difficult and costly. Our efforts to communicate with our resident families is important. Thank you for understanding.

Postal Patron

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